Dear Commissioners of the FCC:

I understand that you are currently reviewing the media regulations in

this

country. I write to urge you to please retain the remaining rules

governing media ownership. Further concentration of ownership will have

serious consequences for our culture and democracy, by stifling

dissenting

voices and further dumbing down the information available to consumers.

Already 79% of commercial stations get the bulk of their news and other

programming from national networks.

I work at a non-profit with seniors fighting for better health care and housing and have seen how difficult it is to get media coverage of these essential issues, especially from the larger media outlets. Please retain the regulations protecting small media outlets and the diversity of media voices necessary to our democracy. It is your responsibility to do this.

Thank you, Stacie Garnett

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